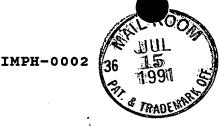
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The present invention provides nucleic sequences coding for the Cryptomeria japonica major pollen allergen Cry j I and fragments thereof. The present invention 5 also provides purified Cry j I and at least one fragment thereof produced in a host cell transformed with a nucleic acid sequence coding for Cry j I or at least one fragment thereof and fragments of Cry j prepared synthetically. j I and fragments thereof are useful for diagnosing, treating, and preventing Japanese cedar pollinosis.